REMARKS

This present application is a divisional application to Serial No. 09/818,513, filed March 28, 2001, wherein claims 16, 17, 27-31, 33-37, and 39-51 were pending for consideration.

By this Preliminary Amendment, claims 1-26 are now cancelled. New claims 52-76 have been added which correspond to claims 16, 17, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, and 51, respectively, as they are currently pending in Serial No. 09/818,513.

This divisional application is filed at least for the reasons of reclaiming the formerly non-elected claims 39-46, which were previously withdrawn from consideration in the parent application Serial No. 09/818,513. Further, all of the new claims 27-51 are directed to a method of manufacturing a device.

In the parent application no. 09/818,513, claims 16-17, 27-31, 33-37, and 47-51 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over Nguyen (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US 2001/0009154 hereinafter Nguyen) in view of Tanabe et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,132,280 – hereafter Tanabe). Further, claims 47-51 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over Nguyen and Tanabe, further in view of Ohtani et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,559,036 – hereafter Ohtani). Still further, claims 16, 17, and 47 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as anticipated by JP 10-168559 (previously submitted by Applicants in an IDS).

Independent claims 27, 28 and 47 correspond to canceled claims 16, 17, and 47 of the parent application, and now recite a method of manufacturing an electro-optical or light emitting device, which additionally includes the steps of providing a substrate by a substrate holder in film formation chamber; forming a film comprising an organic material over the substrate by vapor deposition in the film formation chamber, wherein the organic material is simultaneously deposited on the substrate holder; removing the substrate from the reaction chamber after forming the film.

New claims 39-46 correspond to withdrawn claims 39-46 in the parent application no. 09/818,513, and should be reinstated, as shown above. New claims 39-46 are directed to a method of manufacturing a display device. Accordingly, all pending new independent claims, and their respective new dependent claims, are no longer directed to a cleaning method of an electro-optical device, light emitting device, or a display device. Rather, the NVA285540.1

pending new claims are now directed to a method of manufacturing a useful article.

In view of the amendments and arguments set forth above, Applicants respectfully submit that new claims 27-51 are in condition for allowance.

While the present application is now believed to be in condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone in order that any further prosecution of this application can thereby be expedited.

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